NO HOPE FOR H. W. PLANT

Bureau of Navigation Officially Declares Him Dead.

First Burlington Boy to Lose His Life in the War, So Far as Now Known -Was on Torpedoed Ship Jacob Jones.

The receipt of a letter from the bureau The receipt of a letter from the bureau stone Derrick; sergeant major, Charles of navigation of the navy department removes all hope that Howard William Plant, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Plant of 20 Front street, this city. may be alive. He was doing duty as an Miles were also absent. electrician on the American destroyer Jacob Jones, which was sunk by a German submarine the night of December 6. Al- lief Corps were installed by Mrs. Fan-though his name did not appear in the list nie Jones of this city. The officers: survivors, it was known that two of those on the destroyer were taken dent, Ellen Harrington; Junior prisoners and there has remained a possibility that young Plant might be one of

The young man, who was but 18 years of age, enlisted in the navy a little over a year ago. He took a three months' train



Howard W. Plant.

ing course at Newport, R. L. and was then dmitted to the electrical school at Brooklyn, N. Y., where he took up wireless telegraphy. With a little over six months of study he was rated to third-class operator and transferred to one of the ven; L. S. V. G., Musetta Kingman; marshal, Lena J. Gifford, P. D. D. P.; destroyers, crossing the Atlantic six months ago. So far as now known he is the first Burlingtonian to lose his life in The letter from the navy department

Washington, D. C.,

The bureau has finally received word from the Red Cross at Berne, Switzerland hat the two men who were captured by the German submarine when the Jacob Jones was sunk by torpedo from the enemy submarine are Albert DeMello, seaman second class, and John Francis Murphy, ship's cook, first class.

This removes the last hope that Howard William Plant might still be living, and e bureau is reluctantly compelled to officially declare him dead. The bureau desires to extend to you its sincere sympathy in s great bereavement.

The bureau will at once take steps to inform the Bureau of War Risk in order that they may take up the matter of compensation and you will, no doubt, hear treasurer. Albert Gravel; percepteur from them in the near future. With regard Philip Beaulieu; master of ceremonies. to the pay or money which was due the which he had earned, it is suggested that you apply to the auditor for the navy department, treasury department, Washington, D. C. Respectfully.

W. N. HUER, Lieutenant, U. S. N. Mrs. Agnes Plant, 20 Front St., Burlington, Vt.

BICHLORIDE BY MISTAKE.

North Avenue Boy Taken Poison Will Recover.

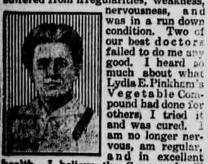
Stewart Nelson, the 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Nelson of 211 North the year was discussed. avenue, who was looking for a stomach tablet, took a half tablet of bichloride of mercury Monday morning. Steward had been suffering for several days from tomach trouble and Monday morning about seven o'clock he went into his room to get a tablet as he felt worse. He took what he thought was a stomach tablet and, breaking it in two, ate it.

Soon afterwards he became ill and called his mother. The latter, when she saw he had taken poison, sent for his father, who called Dr. J. H. Dodds. When Sisters, Thursday in K. of P. hall. CCon-Dr. Dodds arrived he gave the boy an tinuing, Mr. Adams said: "It is only by emetic and got most of the poison out the fact that she was fully organized of his system. He had swallowed enough so that if prompt action had poison so that if prompt action had now that the ames are organizand been taken serious results would have to be beaten and beaten good. Organiza

HOW THIS **NERVOUS WOMAN GOT WELL**

Told by Herself. Her Sin-cerity Should Convince Others.

Christopher, Ill.—"For four years I suffered from irregularities, weakness, ss, and was in a run down



and was cured. am no longer nervous, am regular, and in excellent eaith. I believe the Compound will are any female trouble."—Mrs. ALICE INILER, Christopher, Ill.

Nervousness is often a symptom of cakness or some functional derangement, which may be overcome by this mous root and herb remedy, Lydia. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and property of the compound of warmen between the compound of the com ads of women have found by

experience.

If complications exist, write Lydie E.

Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for
suggestions in regard to your ailment.

The result of its long experience is at your service.

AMONG THE SOCIETIES.

patriotic instructor, Dora Thomas press correspondent, Eunice Worth

irst color bearer, Elma Daigle; second

color bearer, Mattie Jones; fourth color

AINTONIA LODGE INSTALLS

Lena I. Gifford, past district deputy

resident, and Lou E. Hathaway, past

noble grand, introduced these grand offi-

ers of the Grand Lodge of Rebekahs at

the installation of Antonia Lodge, No. 11.

Rebekah degree, held at I. O. O. F. hall

Friday evening: O. W. Edwards, deputy

grand master; I. I. Potter, district deputy

grand master of District No. 3; Mary C.

oodell, past president Rebekah associa

tion; Myrtle Dimmick, deputy district president of district No. 3, and Captain W.

installing officer, District Deputy President Myrtle Dimmock of Richmond, as-

sisted by Deputy Grand Marshal Mrs.

Clara Norton, Deputy Grand Warden Lena J. Gifford, Deputy Grand Secretary

Julia Clifford, Deputy Grand Treasurer,

Helen Bliss, Deputy Grand Chaplain Nel-

lie Ballou, Deputy Grand Guardian Bertha

Cowles and Deputy Grand Herald Julia

These officers were installed: N. G., Lula

Potter; V. G., Ella Thomas; recording secretary, Nellie Reynolds; financial sec-

retary, Rena B. Kingman; treasurer, Lou

Hathaway; conductor, Pearl Shamansky; warden, Ada Tuttle; R. S. N. G., Ida Pren-

tiss; L. S. N. G., Libby Harding; chap-lain, Neille Lee; R. S. V. G., Phillipa Cra-

pianist, Ruth Lee; finance committee, I. I.

Thomas, Nellie Lee, L. A. Gifford; law

committee, F. E. Hathaway, Ida Prentiss,

sented to district deputy president and the incoming noble grand. Bouquets were

received showing the excellent financial

condition of the order as well as a sub

L'UNION ST. JEAN BAPTISTE.

A most interesting address on "France in the War" was given Friday by the

Rev. J. M. Billon, following the installa-

tion of officers of De Goesbriand Council,

No. 3, L'Union St. Jean de Baptisto societie, at 148 Elmwood avenue. Father

Billon, who is a native of France, gave

his personal opinion and knowledge of

the French soil now being fought for or

that had been battlegrounds. Father Billon acted as installing officer with

Edward Duprat as master of ceremonies

Arsene Boucher; vice-president, Alphonse Remillard; secretary, John E. Hebert;

Onesime Labarge; first ordennateur

Isaac Patient; doyen, Onesime Gagne;

musical program was furnished by the choir of St. Joseph's Church and a colla-

ST. PAUL'S MEN'S CLUB.

Paul's Church Friday evening. The officers

chosen were: President, W. W. Jones:

ond vice-president. Dr. David Manson:

reasurer, A. C. Shufeldt; secretary, H. L.

Shover. The executive committee chosen

consists of Thomas W. Gurney and B. B.

Beeman. Reports of officers showed the

Officers of Champlain Lodge and Chit-

tenden Temple Qualify for Work.

"Organization is something that every-

one of us needs every single day," said

the fact that she was fully organized

that Germany has remained unbeaten, but

now that the allies are organizing she is

tion is needed in homes, daily work,

and all the times. Everything successful

is founded on organization for the com-

mon good, whether it behousehold, em

organization for peace is to be established

established by our President and with

CANTON LAFAYETTE INSTALLS.

Major B. H. Shangraw of St. Albans

ssisted by Acting Adjutant-General W. B

Craven and his aide, E. A. Smith, installed

the officers of Canton Lafayette, No. 1. Patriarchs Militant, I. O. O. F., Thursday

The elective officers are: Captain, C. E.

George P. Cole; clerk, J. T. Parkinson; ac-

officers are: Standard bearer, B. E. Stowe

guard, W. A. Harding; picket, J. F. Camp-

bell; sentinel, F. A. Brainerd. The finance

committee appointed was Captain C. M.

Jones, Captain D. C. Frazier and Chevalier N. B. Masters, A light collation

was furnished following the installation.

RURAL CARRIER EXAMINATION.

The United States civil service com-

mission has announced an examination for the county of Grand Isle, to be held

at Alburg on January 26, 1918, to fill the

position of rural carrier at North Hero.

and vacancies that may later occur on

rural routes from other postoffices in

the above-mentioned county. The examination will be open only to male citizens

who are actually domiciled in the terri-

tory of a postoffice in the county and

forth in form No. 1977. This form and

application blanks may be obtained from

the office mentioned above or from the

United States civil service commission

at Washington, D. C. Applications should

be forwarded to the commission at Wash-ington at the earliest practicable date.

meet the other requirements set

countant, R. A. Spear. The appointive

Leach; lieutenant, G. H. Tabor; ensign,

vice-president, J. O. Beckwith; sec-

A "Hoover" supper paved the way to a

honorary president, Joseph Poissant.

The officers installed were:

tion was served.

stantial gain in membership.

I. I. Potter. Bouquets of roses were pre

officers were then installed by the

R Craven R O P M of Vermont

bearer, Estelle Shepard;

and a collation was served.

Gertrude Smith.

INEARLY 100,000 CIRCULATION Officers of Stannard Post and Woman' Relief Corps Installed. Fletcher Library Makes New Under the direction of Department Commander C. T. S. Pierce of Vergennes, the officers of Stannard Post, No. 2, G. A. R., were installed Friday in Memorial hall. The installation fol-

lowed the business meeting. The officers who were installed were: Com-mander, John W. Boutwell; senior vice-Average Daily Issue of Books 327-Acquisitions for the Year Numbered commander, Charles E. Putney; ad-jutant, C. D. Williams; quartermaster, 1.240 and Catalogue Has John M. Safford; officer of the day, John M. Brooks; surgeon, Dr. George E. Mor-70,504 Cards.

Record during 1917.

gan; patriotic instructor, Charles E. Putney; officer of the guard, Livinghe Fletcher Free library was held Mon- contrary. Kempton. Junior Vice-Commander R J. Erwin was unable to be present beday morning at the library, when the cause of illness. Chaplain George D. Sherman and Color Sergeant James following officers were re-elected: President, W. J. Van Patten; secretary, Ed-After the installation of Stannard Post the officers of the Woman's Re-President, Ida Spear; senior vice-presipresident, Alice Hill; secretary, Alice E. Jones; treasurer, Sadie Coonrad; chaplain, Frances Harrington; conduc-

Mr. Mower's report as secretary of the trustees was read by Mrs. Benedict, Mr. also the 1:45 train from the south trustees was read by Mrs. Benedict, Mr. also the 1:45 train from the south. Here Mower being absent because of illness. In the 3:40 p. m. train for the south. Here are the changes: library staff. Much of the usafulness of a tor, Viletta Lane: guard, Louise Jamipublic library depends upon the courtesy and spirit of helpfulness which characson: assistant conductor, Lottie Barnes; terizes the service of those in charge of its routine work. * * * To the librarian, George Dana Smith, is due correspondingly credit color bearer, Catherine Morgan; third for the success with which the library meets the needs of the community. . . musician. It is gratifying evidence of the increasing usefulness of the library that the librarian Remarks were made by Commander Pierce and several others. Mrs. Mc-Bride gave several humorous readings reports the largest annual circulation thus far reached, the total for the year being approximately 100,000.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT Mr. Smith's report for the year, the 10th tory of the institution, being 98,894. It ex-

average daily issue was 327. The number of borrowers' cards in the in the year was 888. The circulation from

choolrooms was 12,119, During the year, the library received purchase 956 and by gift 284 volumes. There were 282 volumes withdrawn. The total number of cards in the catalogue is New titles catalogued in 1917 numbered 866; cards added to the catalogue, 3,477. Five thousand, nine hundred and sixty-three books were repaired in the library during the year.

BOOK SELECTION DIFFICULT. "The problem of book selection," says

Smith in his report, "grows more difficult from year to year, owing to the gradual rise in book prices, and no corresponding increase in our income. . . side from fiction, the books most called for have been those pertaining to the war. Seventy-nine titles were added either by purchase or gift to the literature One table has been reserved especially for the war books." GAIN IN MUSIC BOOK CIRCULATION. One of the most interesting items of Mr. smith's report is the statement that the circulation of 490 music books is a gain of 80 per cent. over last year. REFERENCE ROOM.

In the reference room 22 new works vere purchased for reference use. reading tables have been supplied regu-larly with 126 periodicals, 38 being received by gift, and 88 by subscription. The list includes eight dailies, 32 weeklies, 77 monthlies and nine quarterlies

CHILDREN'S ROOM. The circulation from the children's room was 10,908 fiction, 8,605 non-fiction showing a gain of 2,285 over last year. The library has never been used so extensively by the school children as this number of schoolrooms supwith books was 45; number of books issued for schoolrooms, 2,923; numher of stereographs and pictures issued for schoolrooms, 932; issued from school-rooms for home use, 12,119.

GIFTS OF ESPECIAL INTEREST. usefulness have been received during the burg at 9:02. Train 10 will leave Og-past year. A collection of 129 photo-densburg at 9:00 a. m., arriving at Norgraphs of cathedrals and historic places wood at 9:50, Malone 11:35. Train 9 of the British Isles was received from will be discontinued, Cherubusco to the estate of Miss Mary E. Wells. A Malone, and will leave Malone at 4:05 fine engraving of a group of 19th Century p. m., Norwood at 5:26 p. m., arriving inventors was presented by Mrs. C. J. at Ogdensburg at 6:35. Train 7, runinventors was presented by Mrs. C. J. at Ogdensburg at 6:35. spirited business meeting and election of officers for 1918 by the Men's club of St. Staples, and has been given a place in the reading-room. Gifts of books and pamphlets to the number of 284 also were points east of Malone only. The library has served as despository for books and magazines for soldiers. Hundreds of magazines and a generous supply of books have been left with us for that purpose and have been duly delivered at Fort Ethan Allen."

club in good flancial standing. Work for BAND DIRECTOR 40 YEARS. JOINT INSTALLATION.

G. D. Sherman Misses Only One Annua Meeting in That Time.

For the 40th consecutive time George D. Sherman, founder of Sherman's band. was elected as director of that organization, at the 1918 annual business meeting rooms at the Hayward block last night. The other officers elected are; President, J. A. Erwin; treasurer, F. E. Allard; manager, Charles Colburn. assistant director will be elected next Monday evening. The band is now com-25 members. Mr. Sherman has missed only one annual meeting since the inception of the band, which occurred in 1878. His is an excellent record and both he and his associated bandsmen are proud schools, churches, lodges and everywhere of it.

SUIT OVER A COAT. ployment, social or community good. An Husband Refuses to Pay for Wife's the wonderful and brilliant terms

Purchase. Justice of the Peace Jed P. Ladd tried democracy to back it, fully organized, it the civil case of the Kamber, Frank & will be effective."

There was a large attendance and a delightful program of addresses, musical court Tuesday afternoon. No decision was rendered. B. B. Beeman represented was rendered. B. B. Beeman represented Max L. Powell was counsel for this con cern, and M. E. Leary was attorney for

The suit, which was brought by the clothing company, was to recover the sum of \$24.50, alleged to be due for a velour coat purchased by the defendant's wife in the fall. Mr. Murray was of the opinion that he was not oobliged to pay the bill because he and his wife were estranged from one another at the time the coat was purchased, they not having lived together since last August. He also gave his wife no authority to make such a purchase, and said that she did not need the coat as she had two others, a medium weight and

alskin coat. He furthermore stated that he went at ce to the store after finding out that his wife had made such a bargain, and told Frank to get the coat, as he would not pay for it. He said Mr. Frank told him the coat had been purchased and it would have to be paid for. Asked by the court of he had ever seen the coat, he replied in the negative, adding that he had not even seen his wife since last August.

OUR JITNEY OFFER-THIS AND Se DON'T MISS THIS. Cut out this slip. enclose with five cents to Poley & Co., 2835 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds and croup. Foley Kid-ney Pilis and Foley Cathartic Tablets, J. W. O'Sullivan, 30 Church St. Adv.

DRASTIC TRAIN CHANGES.

Rutland Railroad to Consolidate Green

Mountain Fiyer and Mail Train.

the country, and in accordance with the general desire of the government for fewer trains, the Rutland railroad will put into effect at 12:01 a m. next Sunday a timetable which contains more changes than has been made by a Vermont railroad at any time in years. The most important of these changes is the elimination of the mail train between Burlington and Rut-land which has left Burlington at practically 8:15 a. m. since the time wher The annual meeting of the trustees of the memory of man runneth not to the The companion train northbound, due at 4:30 p. m., is also taken off. The Green Mountain fiyer in both directions will run somewhat earlier and make The book committee was appointed as collected. Mrs. G. G. Benedict and Mr. Mower. and the northbound day train on Satur-Mr. Mower's report as secretary of the day will remain as at present, as will rustees was read by Mrs. Benedict, Mr. also the 1:45 train from the south Here.

MAIN LINE.

Train 50, leaving Burlington at 8:15 a. m. This train will leave Rutland daily except Sunday at 10:50 a. m. for Bellows Falls, the Rev. C.C. Merrill of Burlington, secre arriving at Bellows Falls at 1:10 p. m. A tary of the Vermont Congregational contrain will leave Rutland for New York at ference. The Rev. B. M. Kent, D. D., of train will leave Rutland for New York at 10:20 a. m., Troy 2:05 p. m., Athany 2:20 p. m., arriving in New York at 6:15 p. m.

Train 64, the Green Mountain flyer, will leave Montreal daily except Sunday at 7:50 a. m., Burlington at 11:00 a. m., stopping at intermediate stations to Rutland, leaving Rutland at 1:45 p. m., Troy at 4:10 p. m., Albany at 4:35 p. m., arriving in New York at 8:00 p. m., carrying a Pullman parlor car and coach Montreal to under his librarianship, showed that the man parlor car and coach Montreal to total circulation was the largest in the his-Alburg to Rutland, On Sunday this train ceeds that of 1916 by 4,650. The library was will start at Alburg Instead of Montreal. open 30314 days. The largest daily issue. Except Sunday, it will leave Rutland at that of February 24, was 689, and the 1:45 p. m., arriving in Boston at 8:15, with smallest issue, on July 25, was 119. The parlor car and dining car service from

Train 53, which has arrived in Burlington from Boston daily except Sunday at 4:30 p. m., will be discontinued.

Train 65, the Green Mountain fiyer, which formerly left New York at 10:30 a. m., arriving in Burlington at 6:50 p. m., will leave New York at 8:45 a. m., Albany 12:20 p. m., Troy 12:48 p. m., Rutland at 3:50 p. m., arriving in Burlington at 6:10 p. m., stopping at intermediate stations, Rutland to Burlington, except Center Rutland and Beldens, and arriving in Montreal at 9:35 p. m. dally except Saturday, when Alburg will be the terminus. This train will have a parlor car and coach from Albany and dining car from Rutland

Train 59, which has been leaving Rutland at 8:55 p. m., will leave that city at 9:15 p. m., arriving in Burlington at

BELLOWS FALLS DIVISION. Train 162, which has left Rutland at 6:00 a. m., will be discontinued. Train 157, now leaving Bellows Falls at 8:50 a. m., will leave at 8:00 a. m., except Sunday, arriving in Rutland at 10:00

Train 153, now leaving Bellows Falls at 12:10 p. m., will be discontinued. Train 165, now leaving Boston at 11:25 m., will leave that city at 8:15 a. m., except Sunday, Bellows Falls at 12:45 p. m., and arrive in Rutland at 3:05 p. m. Train 159, which has left Bellows Falls at 6:45 p. m., will leave at 7:00 p. m.,

and arrive in Rutland at 9:00 p. m., daily except Sunday. Train 164 will run on week days only, eaving Rutland at 1:45 p. m. and arriving in Boston at 8:15.

ADDISON BRANCH.

Train 464, a new train, will leave Fort Ticonderoga at 10:10 a. m., ar-riving at Leicester Junction at noon. Train 465 will leave Leicester Junction at 5:20 p. m., arriving at Ticonderoga at 7:00 p. m. Trains 456 and 457 will be

OGDENSBURG DIVISION. Train 4 will be discontinued, Ogdens-Several gifts of especial interest and Malone at 6:30 a. m., arriving at Al-

Trains on all divisions of which no mention has been made will run prac tically as now, with the exception of a

few minor changes.

BAPTISTS PROSPEROUS.

Gain of 300 in Membership during Pres ent Pastorate. The adjourned annual business meeting

of the first Baptist Church was held in the vestry Thursday evening. The various organizations showed the best year since the present pastorate began, over six years ago. The membership of the church has had a net increase of nearly 300 during these years. The increase in the income of the organizations has been over 50 per cent. The treasurer re-ported all bills paid, with a balance An appreciation of the services of the pastor and the sexton was shown in an increase in the salaries of both. the third time the pastor's salary has been increased. The reports showed en-Special mention was made of the coming of Dr. Swift to conduct evangelistic services two weeks prior to Easter Sunday The evangelist will be with the loca church for three Sundays. The Rev Arthur Allen, recently chosen assistant secretary of the Vermont Baptist State convention, will have charge of the chorus choir and orchestra. Mr. Allen is a young man of winning leadership.

The meeting was opened with devo-tional services conducted by the pastor. Arthur G. Crane, the moderator, called the meeting to order. The following officers and committees were elected: Church clerk, William C. Laughton; treasurer, Daniel H. Cameron; collectors, T. A. Haigh and Neil L. Stanley; deacon, Jasper D. Tousley; superintendent of the Sunday school, Arthur G. Crane; assistant, C. J. Ferguson; secretary-treasurer Fred Ross; librarian, Charles Tousley ssistant, Norman Ricker; finance con mittee, Elmer B. Balley, A. G. Crane Howard Crane, J. C. Grant and C. Durrell Simonds; auditor, H. I. Stanhope; iusic committee, Mrs. George D. Jarvi and Miss Edith Brown; advisory b A. O. Ferguson, C. J. Ferguson and E. S. Spear; membership committee, J. D. Tousley, H. R. Hill, W. C. Laughton. A. B. Simonds, Mrs. C. A. Boyd, Mrs. Clara Orton and Mrs. \(\lambda\). O. Ferguson; members of the corporation of Home for Destitute Children, Mrs. W. A. Davisor and Mrs. H. I. Stanhope.

WHAT NEXT!

My Tuesdays are meatless My Wednesdays are wheatless, I am growing more saitless each day, My home's almost heatless, My bed is quite sheetless, They were sent to the Y. M. C. A My coffee is sweetless, The bar-rooms are treatless, Each day I am poorer, but wiser, My socks are getting feetless, My pants almost seatless, And all because of the Kaiser.

-Boston Traveler.

IONE CHURCH FOR SMALL TOWN

Clergymen Declare It to Be the In line with other railroads throughout Ideal Condition.

> Representatives of Three Protestant Denominations Suggest a Working Basta and Agree to Assist towards Such End.

the Methodist, Congregational and Baptist Churches of Vermont held an important seeting in this city Tuesday afternoon and evening. There were present, repre-senting the Methodists, the Rev. William Shaw, Ph. D., of St. Johnsbury, superin tendent St. Johnsbury district; the Rev. E. W. Sharp of Brattleboro, superintendent of the Montpeller district, and the Rev. W. B. Dukeshire of St. Albans, superin-tendent of the St. Albans district; representing the Baptists, the Rev. W. A. Davison, D. D., of Burlington, superintendent and secretary of the Baptist State con vention; representing the Congregational-Train 50, leaving Burlington at 8:15 a. m., ists, the Rev. Charles H. Merrill, D. D. liscontinued from Burlington to Rytland. of St. Johnsbury, secretary of the Ver mont Domestic Missionary society, and

The main business considered yesterday was the uniting of churches in the smalllowing statement of principles was

The undersigned, superintendents and secretaries of the Methodist, Baptist and Congregational denominations, for the sake of better promoting the kingdom of God in the State of Vermont, and for the sake especially of helping the smaller communities to be more efficiently served by the Church of Christ and for the sake of ministers for these communities, agree to the following statement of principles by which they will be guided in accomplish ing the results above mentioned, and suggest the advisability of other evangelica churches uniting in the same:

1. In the small community in Vermon we regard one strong Protestant Church, with adequate ministerial leadership, as the ideal condition.

2. To attain this ideal throughout the State we agree, as denominational leaders and secretaries, to consult together concerning particular communities, on the basis of an equitable exchange of fields. 3. The following may be considered as possible ways of carrying out the ideals set forth in the preceding paragraph: (a) Absolute withdrawal of one denomination. (b) Temporary maintenance of the ecclesiastical reorganization of the denomination withdrawing, until entire withdrawal can be wisely effected, (c) Federation of the existing churches without the withdrawal of either denomination. Federation to be understood as including: (1) Arrangements for one set of services ter. (3) Each church to contribute to its

joint committee from each church to handle the affairs of the federated 4. In cases of complaints concerning of nadequate leadership, such complaint shall be brought to the attention of the enominational leader concerned, and should the apparently inadequate leader

ship continue it shall be a matter for consultation and agreement with the super-intendents or secretaries involved, in order to strengthen the work. 5. It is understood that in carrying out

will do all in their power to secure the ers can stay at home if it is a bother to

FIXING PRICES.

Interpreting Committee Announces Fig ures for Potatoes, Sugar and Flour.

The first meeting of the grocer's committee organized under the directions of the federal food administrator of ing prices of certain commodities, both wholesale and retail, and giving out the same for publication, was held at the Merchant's association room Thurs-day, when prices of potatoes, sugar and flour were interpreted as follows: Potatoes, wholesalers' price for No.

1. \$1.25 to \$1.35 per bushel; retail price, 40 to 45 cents per peck. Granulated sugar, wholesalers' price, \$8.70 to \$9.20 per hundred pounds, ac-

cording to package; retail price, 10 to 11 cents per pound. Bread flour, wholesalers' price, \$11.50 \$12 per barrel; retailers' price, \$1.70

to \$1.80 per one-eighth barrel sack. The committee is required to meet daily for revision or interpretation of prices of such products as the food administrator may direct. The wholesale prices of flour and

sugar are practically fixed by the gov-ernment by putting a basic price on raw materials and allowing only a fixed profit above cost for each stage in the process of reaching the market. In the nterpretation of the retail prices conis given to shrinkage sideration vaste and expense in making up the maller packages, as well as delivery and overhead expenses.

Central Vermont Ry. TIME TABLE IN EFFECT January 6, 1918.

4:15-a. m., daily for Montreal and Chicago. 7:15—a. m., except Sunday for Boston and Springfield. Broiler buffet parlor car from Burlington without changa due Boston 4:38 p. m.
7:05—a. m., except Sunday for St. Johnsbury and Portland.
10:05—a. m., except Sunday for St. Albans.

10:05-a. m., Sunday only for St. Al-

a. m., except Sunday for Boston, New York and New Lon-Through parlor car. don. coaches, and dining car Essex to Boston through coach and parlor car White River Junction to New

1:45-p. m., except Sunday for St. 4:28-p. m. except Sunday for St. Johnsbury. Johnsbury.

--p. m., except Sunday for St.
Albans, Rouses Point. Ogdensburg, Richford and Montreal.
Also for Montpeller and
White River Junction.

--p. m., except Sunday for Montreal and Chicago. Standard
sleeper except Sunday from

Montreal to Chicago, without change.

change.

55—p. m., Sunday only for White River Junction.

:40—p. m., daily. through sleeping car from Burlington to Boston placed for occupancy at \$100 p. m. Sleeping car from Escax Jct. to Springfield.

L. E. DEXTER, TICKET AGENT.

NEW HEALTH OFFICER.

Dr. Barnet Frank Given Appointmen of Deputy.

Dr. Barnet Frank of 67 North Union street has been appointed deputy health officer of this city by the State board of health, the regularly appointed health officer. Dr. F. J. Ennis, having left Monday night for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., to which Post he was ordered by the government several days ago as a lieutenant in the medical reserve corps. Previous to leav-ing, he was granted an indefinite leave of nce by the local board of health.

Dr. Frank, a graduate of the University of Vermont college of medicine, in the class of 1915, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jo-seph Frank of 70 North Union street. He The superintendents and secretaries of has done post-graduate work in the Jew-ish hospital in Cincinnati and in St. Elizaeth's hospital at Elizabeth, N. J. He has been engaged in private practice in this city for several months. His teleph Dr. Frank will not have the same powe

as Dr. Ennis, the regular health officer, but has authority to issue certificates of on for burial, entombment or re moval of dead bodies. The appointment was made according to statute law, wherein the State board is empowered to appoint a deputy, when occasion arises, upon written application of the local board.

THE RED CROSS.

Six New Branches in State—Reports from Foreign Countries.

Six new branches of the Vermont State Chapter, American Red Cross, have rebeen formed in the State, according to an announcement given out by cretary H. S. Howard yesterday. ont and is a very creditable showing The new branches organized since Jan uary 1 are West Braintree, East Montpelier, Lowell, West Topsham, East Braintree and West Brookfield Union.

The Christmas drive for members was not confined to the United States alone, and 27,954 members were secured in the United States colonies and in foreign countries. From Honolulu there 15,500 members; the Philippines, 6,000 members; China (except Shanghai), 1,691; Shanghal, 554; Santo Domingo, 2,056 Buenos Aires, 350; Korea, 286; St. V. I., 185; Santiago, Chile, 160; Kobe, Japan, 127; Lima, Peru, 35, and Ponce, Porto Rico, 10.

HEARD ON THE STREET. (By a White River Junction Landmark

Man. That after January 21 about the best

ways a little brighter than daylight, even if the poor haven't any coal. That the soldiers are looking forwar o the day when they will get wooden guns to drill with in place of broomsticks. That many people who used to eat in

so unmannerly a fashion have learned to

take very small mouthfuls on the end of the knife That is mighty easy to figure out that you can afford a car after partaking of the sticky refreshments at the automo-

That terrible indignation is vented by he didn't allow sugar to be sold for 30

That the people who understand the own denominational benevolences. (4) A ally those who have just attended a lec-That the soldiers wouldn't have suffered at the camps if it hadn't been for cold weather, and of course the red tape

> That the strikers who have been tying up war work and delaying the war will be the first to squeal if business depression results from a long war. That while our industries are crying and weeping for able-bodied men, an army

officials couldn't control the weather.

of Pullman car porters are kept busy toting little bags for lazy passengers. the principles herein outlined, the under-signed cannot contravene the rules or pils have too many dances, but there is action of their ecclesiastical bodies but a feeling among the kids that the teach-

> That it is denied that Congress is not giving proper attention to the railroads, as the congressmen are already looking for soft jobs for their constituents under government railroad control. That some residents of the Junction

think they make a mighty smart trade when they spend \$2.50 on a railroad trip to some city in order to take advantage of an alleged bargain of 49 cents.

That most people don't heed the appeal to feed the birds in winter because they are too busy. Next summer be busy trying to kill the insect pests that flourish owing to the scarcity of birds.

That the question is asked what has be ome of the boy that used to tease his father to go to work on the railroad. Well, last heard from, his son had run away from home because the old man wouldn't give him a six-cylinder automo-

That all Secretary McAdoo now has to do in a day is to raise a billion dollars in Liberty Bonds, revise the rules and time cards of all the railways, attend to several million workmen who demand more pay, get every kind of freight moved ahead of every other kind, and talk with all the people that want jobs and contracts.

THREE-POUND BROILERS

Government Urges Non-Use of Those Weighing Less.

the meat situation will buy three-pound broilers and fryers and refuse to use squab chickens" weighing a pound, onehalf or less, say the dressed-poultry specialists of the United States depart ent of agriculture. The serving of underdeveloped or squal

Housewives who wish to help relieve

chickens in hotels, restaurants and homes they regard as unpatriotic because such chickens, if kept for four weeks longer including two weeks of crate fleshing, will weight about three pounds. Moreover, un-der proper feeding, the chicken makes the extra flesh largely from such by-products not ordinarily used for human food, as buttermilk, sour milk, skim milk, and low grade grains.

A three-pound broller or fryer of one of the utility breeds, the specialists say, reaches this weight with a relatively less consumption of feed than the chicken which has been kept until it weighs four or five pounds. Up to three pounds, more over, chickens of utility breeds make their flesh most effectively from feed. Above three pounds, every pound of gain re-quires for its production about twice as much feed. This makes plain why the three-pound size always has been the favored bird in Europe where both grain and meat have been less plentiful than in the United States. In the past, the demand in Europe has led to a heavy ex portation of three-pound chickens. Such exports having ceased, these three-pound chickens are now available for home consumption, a matter on which the public i to be congratulated.

For stewing, of course, the old henweighing up to five or six pounds are nomical. As these chickens have beer fed and kept primarily to lay eggs, use of their meat when their egg-laying usefulness diminishes is clear gain to the nation. Raising the weight of the soft meated" utility birds used for frying or broiling beyond three pounds, however, in-volves uneconomical use of feedstuffs to produce on unnecessary luxury.

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FORGERY AND DESERTION

Charges on Which Earl Laport Is in Jail.

Ciniming to Be a First Lieutenant in the Aerial Corps, Young Man Has Been Liberally Patronising Burlington Stores.

"First Lieutenant" Earl L. Laport, whose home has been in the basement of the Robarge house on North street, at the head of Murray, was arrested Tuesday on charges of forgery and desertion from the United States aerial corps. He was ordered commit-ted to the custody of the sheriff yesterday afternoon shortly before six o'clock by Chief of Police P. J. Russell on a warrant from State's Atorney Allen Martin, as well as upon a govern-ment order. He was taken to the Post yesterday by Officer Christopher Miles, who apprehended the fugitive at the Union station Tuesday afternoon after the police had been searching for him throughout the day. The officer is entitled to the sum of \$50, which the government pays for the apprehension and surrendering of de-

Laport, who has been masquerading around the city as a first lieutenant, being dressed in army clothes befitting such an officer, and is charged with procuring a number of blank checks upon the Howard National bank of this city in the Y. M. C. A. rooms. One of these was passed at the Lewis & Blanchard shoe store on Church street for a pair of officers' boots, the value of which was \$32.50. These he had on when arrested.

Another check was signed with the name of J. E. Cashman of this city, for the sum of \$22.50. A third check was passed at the Wright clothes shop, for \$15. Laport takeof officers' shoes and a pair of gloves be-

of officers' shoes and a pair of gloves be-fitting his station in the army.

From a Mrs. Bean, who conducts a store at the corner of Murray and North streets, Chief Russell learned shortly after Laport had been placed in Jail that the man had foorged a check at Mrs. Bean's store for the sum of \$10, taking the cash with him. Enos Howard, the tobacco man, is out \$5, a check having been cashed you will be able to do by rail is to start to-day and return the day after.

That big cities must have their white tried to cash a \$25 check here. Various names were appended to the checks, in one case the name of E. J. Morris being used, while in another the name of E. J. Harris appeared.

When seen at police headquarters it was very apparent that his clothes were too large for him. It was learned that his age was 25 years, and that he enlisted at the Post August 7, 1917, as a private in the 325th aerial squadron. After enlistment he was sent to Texas. On December 25, he deserted at Kelley Field, Texas, coming to this city a short time ago. He said he was born in Shoreham, and that previous to his enlistment he had been employed by Steele & Butler, local milk

ticket to Middlebury, while in his grip was the pair of shoes and the pair of gloves that he had secured from the Wright Clothes shop. Besides, there were six bottles of beer.

Laport had been hanging around the Union station for a couple of nights past, it was said Tuesday. This act did not excite suspicion it was explained because be was detailed there by the government to be on the waatch for deserters.

Laport's father and mother left Tuesday noon on the flyer, bound for Fitch-burg, Mass., this fact being brought to the attention of the police by Allie Fredette. sold the shoes and gloves to Laport Saturday night and was the first to notify the police Tuesday morning of the forgery. He went to the fellow's home to in-quire if the "lieutenant" was in. There the fellow's mother, or, rather, stepmother, told Fredette that the "lleutenant" had gone to the Post to get 25 recruits, which he was to take to New York city Tuesday

Mr. Fredette, not to excite the woman's suspicions, told her that he wanted to enlist under the "lieutenant." and inwhere he could reach him later. Sufficient information being advanced, Fredette made his way to the police of fice, then to the Union station. Here he was surprised to find the father and "stepready to board the outgoing mother" Thinking that Laport might be on board, the train was searched, but re vealed nothing, the fellow being taken into custody later in the afternoon

ORIGINAL GENUS OF PEAR TREE. The original genus of the pear tree has been found in Japan by Dr. F. C. Rei-mer, a noted American pomologist and director of the agricultural experimental station in Oregon, who has been making years for the United States government At the beginning of last August he went to Japan to carry on his investigations It is reported that he has lately found the primitive genus of the pear in the

prefecture of Miye. Dr. Reimer has devoted the past 29 years to pear cultivation. In recent years a pear-blight has been spreading in America, but no method for the extermination of the destructive disease has een so effective as the one in which a primitve genus of pear tree, free from any blight, is grafted upon the blighted tree. -Japan Times

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